

REMARKS

The present Amendment amends claims 13 and 18 and cancels claims 12, 14-17 and 19-21. Therefore, the present application has pending claims 13 and 18.

Applicants acknowledge the Examiner's indication that claims 14-16 and 19-21 are withdrawn from consideration. As indicated above, claims 12, 14-17 and 19-21 were canceled.

Claims 12, 13, 17 and 18 stand rejected under 35 USC §102(b) as being anticipated by Tamegai (U.S. Patent No. 5,442,614). As indicated above, claims 12 and 17 were canceled. Therefore, this rejection is rendered moot. Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection is respectfully requested.

With respect to the rejection of claims 13 and 18 Applicants submit that, it appears the Examiner inadvertently included these claims in the recitation of the rejection of claims 12 and 17 under 35 USC §102(b) as described above. However, Applicants note that the Examiner indicated in Item 5 of the Office Action Summary and on page 4 of the Office Action that claims 13 and 18 are allowed. Therefore, according to the clear indication by the Examiner claims 13 and 18 are allowed over the prior art of record.

It should be noted that amendments were made to claims 13 and 18 so as to clarify the description of the present invention. Particularly, these amendments merely clarify that according to the present invention when the image information thus recorded on the recording medium is read and displayed on a monitor for each frame, the execution of various operations is prevented and the image information

just before the image information having a read error is continuously displayed on the monitor.

The above described amendments to claims 13 and 18 do not change the scope of the invention nor require further consideration and/or search on the part of the Examiner. These amendments simply clarify the features of the present invention already considered by the Examiner as being allowed over the prior art of record.

It should be noted that the cancellation of claims 12, 14-17 and 19-21 was not intended nor should it be considered as an agreement on Applicants part that the features recited in claims 12, 14-17 and 19-21 are taught or suggested by any of the references of record. The cancellation of claims 12, 14-17 and 19-21 was simply intended to expedite prosecution of the present application. Applicants hereby reserve their right to pursue the invention as set forth in these claims in a continuing application.

Applicants acknowledge the Examiner's indication in the Office Action that claims 13 and 18 are allowed.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, applicants submit that claims 13 and 18 are in condition for allowance. Accordingly, early allowance of claims 13 and 18 is respectfully requested.

To the extent necessary, the applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment of fees, to the deposit account of MATTINGLY, STANGER, MALUR & BRUNDIDGE, P.C., Deposit Account No. 50-1417 (500.39095X00).

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